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SUBJECT: DISSIDENTS: CANAL GROUP

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- 1. EMBASSY HAS ORIGINAL, HANDWRITTEN COPY OF PETITION ENTITLED "SECOND CALL OF HELP" REPORTED REF. B. WE BELIEVE OTHER WESTERN EMBASSIES HERE HAVE ALSO RECEIVED SIMILAR PETITIONS.
- 2. GIRLFRIEND OF DRAGOS NEAMTZU (PROTECT HER), ONE OF TWO ADDITIONAL SIGNERS OF "SECOND CALL OF HELP" PETITION IN ADDITION TO ORIGINAL FIVE HOTEL CLERKS (BUCHAREST 4765), VISITED EMBASSY AUGUST 10 TO REPORT NEAMTZU AND POSSIBLY OTHERS HAD BEEN "ARRESTED" LAST WEEKEND AND IS NOW WORKING ON CANAL. ACCORDING TO HER, CANAL GROUP NOW TOTALS AS MANY AS NINE-TEN PERSONS. SHE HERSELF WAS SUMMONED TO POLICE STATION AUGUST 6 AND QUESTIONED INTENSIVELY (BUT NO PHYSICAL ABUSE) FOR TWO HOURS CONCERNING HER RELATIONS WITH NEAMTZU AND ACTIVITIES OF CANAL GROUP. SHE HAS ALSO VISITED FRG EMBASSY.
- 3. CONSEQUENTLY, NEAMTZU CASE AND PERHAPS ARREST OF ONE OR TWO MORE PERSONS AT ROUGHLY SAME TIME MAY BE BASIS OF RFE REPORTERS' STORY RATHER THAN ADDITIONAL MEASURES TAKEN AGAINST ORIGINAL CONFIDENTIAL.

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GROUP. AS FAR AS WE KNOW, ORIGINAL GROUP IS STILL WORKING ON CANAL, SO QUESTION OF "REARREST" WOULD NOT ARISE. BARNES

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